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#### Before the World War

Before the World War a good many preached brother-hood and quite a few practiced it. In Pre-War times patriotism was more pure and less commercialized. There were more idealists and fewer hypocrites. The pulpit was more spiritual and less materialistic. The Daily Press was to a great extent more progressive and far less reactionary. Without a doubt during those days Nationalism was purer and Internationalism was above class idea. There was less darkness and more light. There was less fear and more courage. Destructive ideas were weak and constructive forces were stronger. Greed was less known and gener-

osity was more prevalent.

In Pre-War time there was more freedom of speech, press, of individual action, habit and thought. During those few years many persons did their best to find out the good in their fellowmen. Even the Nations wanted and did learn some good from other Nations. The Religionists showed more tolerance towards the other religions and racial animosity was not as strong as it is today. In those somewhat happy old days, the world did not have the powerful and ever growing armies of the antis, namely the anti-Americans in Europe and in the English speaking countries elsewhere. The anti-Slavs, the anti-Germans, the anti-French, the anti-Orientals in England, America, Canada and Australia; the anti-Semites in Europe and America, and anti this and anti that, and last but not least the grand army of the anti-English. If the World War has not given us much, then it has at least given us, Hate as our religion, the cult of "Anti" as our creed, and Distrust as our Sermon on the Mount.

Before the War we read Th. Mommsen, Fr. Passy, B. Bjornson, H. Sienkiewicz, Baroness von Suttner, R. Eucken, G. Hauptmann, R. Tagore, R. Rolland, G. Brandes, A. France, L. Tolstoi, and others, and not the works of war mongers and the blood profiteers. Generally speaking, there was more joy and less sorrow, more peace and less unrest. Neither the poverty of the most poor was so great, nor the

wealth of the rich so immense. Before the war India was the hell of the poor and purgatory of the hungry; and now the Nations of Central Europe are running a neck-to-neck race to share honors in poverty and hunger with India. those days quite a few people understood the distinction between Justice and Injustice. That was the time when some of us said to our dear friends at the table, "Help yourselves." but now Lloyd George says to the imperialists of other Nations: "Help yourselves-after John Bull, in the names of mandates and reparations." Before the war, we used to hear that the Lord loveth a cheerful giver, but for the last four or five years, we have found out that it is the imperialistic Europe which loveth the cheerful Uncle Sam—as long as he giveth. In the course of a short time the world is changed to such an extent that even the Alfred B. Nobel Peace prize went to the foremost figure of the World War. Who knows if the Rev. B. Sunday will not be awarded all the Nobel prizes before long?

Before the World War Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey, Russia and Bulgaria were larger in area. The losses of those Nations became the gains of the allies. Since the World War, Siam, Persia, Afghanistan and the independent States of Arabia have fallen under the political sway of John Bull. Before the war there were eight great powers and now there are only four. Previous to that hellish war, there were five mighty colonial powers, now there are only two.

## During the War

"Freedom" and "Democracy" were the war slogans. Without a doubt those are magical words. There were over 900,000,000 of oppressed people under the Belgian, British, French, Italian, Japanese, Portugese and Russian flags at the time when the World War broke out. If the Governments, the political and religious leaders of those countries were truly freedom-loving and honest champions of freedom and democracy, then why did they not give freedom to those Nations of which the Allies were oppressors? Almost a billion people on all continents were held in political and economic bondage by the leading European Nations. In spite of that fact the Allies had the audacity to call their imperialistic war "a cause of freedom and democracy." The Peace Treaty, the League of Nations and the mandates have proven that the Allies fought for imperialistic gains and in order to dominate the world by themselves.

Individual thieves who steal from individuals, when caught, are sent to jail, provided they have no political friends, but those who rob the political independence of other Nations are called "great heroes" and "wonderful statesmen." A single glance of the map of the world will convince any man or woman that one European country is the political and economic master of more than one-third of the world. Can a small country of Europe, which is smaller in size than the second-rate countries of that continent, rule one-third of the whole world and call itself a lover of freedom and democracy? Can a freedom-loving Nation rob the political, national and economic freedom of one-third of the entire world? Can a Nation, which autocratically and tyrannically rules nearly half the population of the world, be a democratic Nation?

While the killing was going on, in the name of Freedom and Democracy, England put Egypt under her flag, and France put Morocco under hers, but the Egyptians who objected to be under the British flag were killed in the name of British freedom and democracy and the same was the lot of

the patriots of Morocco, under the French flag. At the time England, France and Russia were fighting for Democracy very few politicians, and the so-called statesmen of other Nations realized the size of the maps of the British, French and Russian colonial empires. In the year 1914, the British in Europe had one hundred twenty-one thousand five hundred square miles, but the British Colonial Empire comprised more than 14,000,000 square miles. France, proper, is in Europe 207,000 square miles, but her Colonial Empire was of almost 5,000,000 square miles. Russia, proper, in Europe, contained 1,800,000 square miles, but she had more than 7,000,000 square miles of the non-Russian world, nearly all of it in Asia. In other words, more than half the known world was under the flags of England, France and Russia, and yet the Governments and leaders of those countries talked of World Freedom and Democracy—what a mockery and hypocrisy!

One colonial power, namely Holland, remained neutral for purely business reasons. Of the four Nations, that is to say, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey, Germany alone was a great colonial power, otherwise all the great colonial powers were on the other side. All the countries, which have colonies in Asia or Africa, with the exception of the U.S. A., have vastly enlarged their colonial empires as a result of the defeat of the Central Powers, and the downfall of Russia. Through the help of Poles and Polish-Americans, through the help of Bohemians and Bohemian-Americans, through the help of Rumanians and Greeks, the European masters of Asia and Africa. first weakened and then ruined Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey. Later on, in a short time the great German Colonial Empire and the vast Asiatic Turkey were swallowed up by the imperialists of Europe. While the ignorant world was fed on "freedom" and "democracy." More parts of the world and many millions of human beings were added to the vast colonial empires of England, France, Belgium and Italy. During the war, there were three prob-lems in the minds of the Allies, First: How to get what

they wanted. Second: How to fool the world in order to hide their intended crimes of the divisions of German, Russian and Turkish colonies and empires. Third: How to involve into the war the non-European Nations. The cunning imperialist solved those problems in five short words: "War for Freedom and Democracy." The rest was easy for the hired army of propagandists.

During the war, the stronger, the more cunning and

more crooked of the Allies studied the map of all continents. the natural resources and markets of the world; and also the national weakness, religious prejudice and racial antipathy of all nations, religions and races. The imperialists also let loose an army of vampires to increase hate, jealousy and distrust, while the Allies were talking of freedom and democracy. During those days the same Allies were laving out plans to oppress others and increase the size of their colonial empires. During that same war, the imperialist laid the foundations of a number of wars, among those who helped them to win their war. Also the European imperialists perfected the means of defence of their colonial empires during the very time the non-Europeans were helping them to win the war for the Allies on the soil of Europe. While Americans were helping the Allies to win the war, the same Allies were putting plans in force to exclude Americans from the markets of the world. During that same war, the Allies evolved, and somewhat perfected a machine, now known as the League of Nations, better known in India as a League of Bandits.

#### The Peace Conference

Three gentlemen took upon themselves the task of making Peace. None of those three gentlemen is known as a great traveler. All of them are poor linguists, with no sympathies towards the oppressed. The Prime Ministers of England and France were there with definite plans, namely, to increase the size of the British Empire, and that of France in Europe, in Asia and Africa. The Allies won their first diplomatic victory when the head of the American Nation sat with the second heads of the British Empire and the French Republic. The King of England is the head of the British Empire and not the Prime Minister, and so is the President of France, and not the Prime Minister, the head of that Republic. Therefore, when the head of the mighty U.S. A. sat side by side with the second heads of England and France, then the arrogance, greed and cunningness of England and France became openly feasible. The Prime Ministers, after having convinced themselves, and the rest of the world, that the second heads of England and France were equal in prestige and standing to the head of the most powerful Republic and richest Nation in the world, it became an easy task for the Allies to do as they pleased.

It was not a Peace Conference, it was an imperialistic victors' conference. The supposed Peace Conference met to tear the world into pieces to suit its own case. There was not a single man at the conference whose heart was beating for suffering humanity. India, Ireland and Egypt, the three most tyrannically ruled countries, were absolutely unknown to the leaders of the Peace Conference. The gentlemen of that conference did not fullfil a single pledge given to their own people. The Peace Conference was a grand success as far as the imperialistic Allies were concerned. That Conference by a single diplomatic stroke completely ruined the four mighty empires of Europe, and at the same time, the same Conference made England the political dictator of Europe in addition to Asia and Africa. What else could England have desired? The prolonged Peace Conference

ence has prolonged the life of Imperialism and greatly strengthened the power of the British and French Colonial Empires. Some say that it was not a Peace Conference, but it was a private gathering of the imperialists.

The Peace Conference and Treaty have not only secured the safety, but also greatly enlarged the British Empire and its power. That same Conference made the Baltic Sea private property of the British ship owners. The disappearance of Germany and Austria as trading powers has enormously strengthened the British Traders in all parts of the world. The downfall of the Czarist Russia and the annihilation of Turkey, has made England the master of more than three-fourths of inhabited Asia. The Peace Treaty has created two new empires within the British Empire, namely Australia and the Union of South Africa, for the simple reason that some of the leading German colonies were given to Australia and the Union of South Africa. Through that masterly act those colonies have become more loyal to England than ever before. The same Peace Conference gave to England Mesopotamia, Palestine, Persia, Afghanistan, and other parts of Asia.

The Peace Treaty thus has made the British Empire the Mother of Empires, henceforth it should be known as Super-Empire or the World Empire. From the military, naval, air, political and economic standpoints, this Super-Empire cannot be destroyed, as far as the present war science is concerned. The same Peace Treaty has left doors wide open for at least nine wars; first, a war between Russia and Poland; second, between Russia and Rumania; third, between France and Germany; fourth, between Poland and Germany; fifth, between Italy and Jugo-Slavia; sixth, between Italy and Greece; seventh, between Rumania and Hungary; eighth, between China and Japan; ninth, between the U. S. A. and Japan. In none of those nine wars England will be directly involved, unless she desires to enlarge her Super-Empire. Ninety-nine percent of the pro-English Americans are anti-Japanese, and of the anti-Japanese Americans eighty percent are pro-English. England is well

aware of these facts, hence she does not expect a war with the U. S. A., at least for some time. The war between the U. S. A. and Japan will be largely a naval war, and perhaps a prolonged one. During that war both the U. S. A. and Japan will not be able to carry on their foreign trade. Millions of American workers will be engaged in war-industries only. By the time Japan is defeated, the U. S. A. will have lost most of her foreign trade; and by the disappearance of Japan as a great power in Asia, the whole of Asia will be the private property of England. The Peace Conference should have been held in Washington, D. C., but when it was decided that the Peace Conference was to be held in Europe then it was a certain thing that the blood-stained war was to have a blood-stained peace. What else can one expect of imperialistic Europe?

# The Effect of the Peace Treaty

The Peace Treaty has been a total disappointment to the oppressed. It is unjust to Germany, Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria, Russia and Turkey. That Treaty has enlarged the British Super-Empire. As the result of that Treaty France has enlarged her possessions on European, Asian and African continents. Belgium, Greece and Italy have enlarged their possessions on two continents. Poland, Czecho-Slovakia, Rumania and Jugo-Slavia are fattened to death and are kept as pawns by the imperialists of Europe for the future wars. From the political standpoint of England, France and Italy, the Treaty is a grand success, but from the economic standpoint, England is the only gainer and more than three-fourths of Europe is loser. The Treaty makes Europe nominally free, but economically dependent on John Bull and John Bull only.

The German, Austro-Hungarian, Russian and Turkish Empires are gone, and Poland, Rumania, Italy, Jugo-Slavia and Greece are newly born empires under different names. These five newly created empires are the tail of the British Lion and they are the sword of France for future use. The Peace Treaty has painted the map of Europe with many colors and too many dots. But the Treaty was written by two men in the interest of two nations, namely, France and England. France wanted political friends, and England wanted to establish commercial dictatorship over the whole of Europe. The Slavs and the Latins are the majority of the inhabitants of Europe. Neither the Slavs, nor the Latins love the Germans and Turks. Hence the German. Austrian and Turkish Empires were carved to satisfy the land hunger of the Slavs and Latins. In the meanwhile France gets all the blame for the unjust division of Europe and England escapes from most of the blame. But quietly and coolly England has successfully established her commercial dictatorship all over Europe.

The Peace Treaty is a War Trust. The famous men who took part in it have become infamous. The whole

Treaty is nothing else but injustice, hypocrisy, tyranny and cant. The Treaty has established political autocracy and economic dictatorship all over Europe, Asia and Africa. The Peace Treaty is the British form of Sovietism, French Bolshevism and the Communism of the colonial powers. It is the world dictatorship by the imperialists. The Treaty dooms the political and economic freedom for all except its framers.

The Allies promised a just Treaty to all concerned. Lloyd George and Clemenceau made that Treaty wholly just to England and France. They also made it just to half a dozen other nations and absolutely unjust to the rest of the world. The framers of that Treaty are known as the master orators, great leaders and famous statesmen. It is true that they all are orators, but they are demogogic orators, hence, the whole of the Peace Treaty is a demogogic piece of work. It is true, too, that the framers of that Treaty are great leaders, but no imperialist can be a great leader, unless he be a mis-leader. The proof of that fact is seen in the Peace Treaty itself. Is the Peace Treaty anything else than misleading? Then, again, the framers of that Treaty are known as statesmen. But at present no man can be a statesman in imperialistic Europe unless he serves his country at the cost of other nations. In fact, the more he ruins other nations, the greater statesman he becomes in the eyes of those he serves. Therefore, if the Peace Treaty is the work of great statesmen, then it means that that Treaty will bring untold gains to the nations of those statesmen and a lot of suffering to the rest of the world.

At the time the Treaty was written, a great wave of radicalism was sweeping imperialistic Europe, and in suffering Asia and Africa the forces of unrest and disregard to old institutions were aflame. The honest and God-fearing men and women, the suffering and war worn-out workers and the lovers of peace in Europe demanded a just and lasting peace. Oppressed Asia and Africa went ahead and organized powerful political parties in order to gain national and continental freedom from imperialistic Europe.

"Down with this," and "Down with that," "The end of this" and "The end of that," and "Long live freedom and peace," were on the lips of countless millions. These and many other facts of similar nature were carefully studied by the framers of the Treaty. The imperialists dared not come out and reveal their unholy tricks for the sake of saving their lives, though they did not for a single moment hesitate to take the lives of millions of people. They did not use the methods of the previous peace conferences, they wanted to play the roles of angels, and when the Treaty was known they became the "fallen angels." They did not write a word in the Treaties in favor of those whom their Governments kept in hellish tyranny. They did not speak of indemnity, nor of annexactions, and not even of the economic plunder of Germany. In the place of indemnity they put the word "reparations." In the place of annexations they put the word "mandates," and the economic plunder of Germany was sugar-coated and replaced with words of "export duty" on "German made goods." The Treaty gives the mastery of oceans, seas and air to England. The Treaty gives all that was desired to its framers. The Treaty makes the imperialism of the great powers permanent and dooms the oppressed, weak and friendless.

#### Mandates

Before the World War Germany had a colonial empire of 1,134,239 square miles, and a colonial population of fifteen million souls. The foreign trade of those colonies, that is, the exports and the imports, amounted to a sum of four hundred and fifty million gold marks. The U.S. A. bought from Denmark the three small islands of St. Croix, St. Thomas and St. John, having a total area of 142 square miles, with a population of 32,000, for a sum of twenty-five million dollars. The trade of those islands is so small that it is not worth mentioning it at all. If the U.S. A. has paid such a collossal sum for those three dots, then how much worth in money must have been the one-time vast colonial empire of Germany? Then again, if the U.S. A. buys the British islands on the American continent at the rate she has bought from Denmark, there will not be enough money in the whole wrold with which she could pay in cash. division of German colonies creates the following news aspects: first, the imperialism of the colony-grabbers is made permanent, which means more wars; second, a great menace to American industry and foreign trade, and third, more burden upon those who are the victims of the great colonial powers of Europe.

The internal trade of the former German colonies is considerable. They are rich in natural resources, the potentialities of their imports and exports are immense. Those colonies have thousands of miles of the finest railroad systems and tens of thousands of miles of telegraph lines, enormous harbors and many kinds of plantations. One of those colonies has enormous deposits of diamonds, and all of those colonies have a large number of highly developed factories. There are also thousands of office buildings and residential homes. The Allies have simply grabbed that enormous and highly developed colonial empire of imperial Germany in the name of "MANDATES." During the war the British did most of the talking, therefore, during the time the Treaty was written, the British did most of the "taking." The

British took the largest share of the former German colonies, yet hardly anyone blames them. The British, French, Italians and Belgians gave to Japan the least. Yet, in the American press Japan gets all the blame. Is it because the Japs got Yap?

For a long time whenever the victors took the possessions or a part of them from the losers, then to a certain extent also went the national debts of the losers with the loot, and whenever the victors annexed part of the possessions of the losers, then there was neither reparations, nor heavy export taxes, neither ruinous burdens imposed upon the loser. The Allies and their American spokesman solemnly pledged before the world that there will be a just peace, if the Germans will get rid of their Hohenzollern masters. The Allies grabbed in the most bandit fashion the German colonial empire, the fourth largest colonial empire in the world, in the name of mandates and then demand of Germany an unheard sum of money in the name of reparations. If Germany must pay indemnity in the form of reparation, then why have the Allies taken the German colonies? The Allies have divided European Germany to suit their case, and to please each other they have divided the German colonies amongst themselves. Then what moral rights have they to make Germany pay fabulous sums of money as reparations?

There are professors of geography, professors of economics, professors of moral philosophy, enormous armies of Christian preachers, there are peace lovers and there are, also, supposed to be many liberals. But where are they? If they are what they pretend to be, then why are they silent? Why is it that they do not use their knowledge in the cause of truth, on behalf of justice and, above all, for the sake of righteousness? If those men do not know the world, then who else would? During the war insanity had gone mad, but now why allow the last vestige of sanity to go insane! The colonial system is so wrong that it cannot stand any argument in its favor before the seventh commandment. If Germany was morally wrong to have any colonies, then the Allies are even

more immoral to divide those colonies amongst themselves. At any rate, it is interesting for the non-Christians to watch as to how the Christian imperialists of Europe can fool the world, and get away with plunder and booty under the name of "mandates." If the mandate system is not opposed, at least by those churches which send missionaries to foreign countries, then it is easy for everyone to find where the anti-Christ is.

The former German colonies are grabbed by the Allies. Through the annexation of those colonies the Allies have enriched themselves enormously. Through the loss of those colonies, Germany will have a large number of unemployed. Through the gain of those colonies, the Allies will find work for a large number of men and women in their respective countries. By losing those colonies, Germany loses many sources of raw materials, and some of the best markets she ever had. On the other hand, as a result of having taken those colonies, the Allies have greater means of finding raw materials and still greater markets to sell their goods. Through the loss of those colonies German ship-builders and shipping have greatly suffered; on the other hand, the ship-builders and shipping of the Allied countries are extremely prosperous. In that way every great loss to Germany is still a greater gain to the Allies. Greater gain to the Allies because the Allies have greatly increased the size of their colonies; the Allies have taken the German navy. so that Germany shall not remain any longer a naval power; they have fixed the size of the German army; they have taken away the German ships; they have taken away from Germany her best iron and coal mines; they have taken her colonies and they distributed German provinces and cities to their own advantage, and on the top of that they want Germany to pay huge sums of money in the name of reparations. And still there are people who call the European Allies Christian nations!

The mandate system, commercially speaking, is a death blow for the U. S. A. From the economic standpoint the mandate business is absolutely ruinous to all, except to the

From a political point of view the mandate system gives autocratic authority to the Allies over sixteen millions of people. That is not all. The mandates, or plainly speaking, the colonial plunder by the Allies, is bound to increase the armies and navies of most nations. It is an old established fact that the greater is the colonial empire, the greater the army and the larger the navy of that particular nation. The greater the army and the larger the navy, the keener will be the rivalry aroused in this or that line. And then follow the war or wars! In that way the oppressed change their masters, the colonial system continues and imperialism goes on. The colonial system is the mother of modern wars. Therefore, those who are against wars, also should be against the colonial system. The colonial system will come to an end some day. In the meanwhile there is no reason why the Allies should grab the German colonies without any payment or some kind of return to Germany.

If Germany must pay for the damage caused by the war, then it is only a matter of common justice that the Allies should pay to Germany for her colonies. A number of American writers have lately suggested that the U. S. A. should buy from the British Jamaica for a sum of four to five billion dollars, or that the British should hand over Jamaica to the U. S. A. in payment of all that England owes, which means the same thing. Jamaica has an area of less than 4,500 square miles, with a population of 800,000 souls. and a foreign trade of 115,000,000 gold marks. Now, if Jamaica is worth five billion dollars, then the former German colonial empire must be worth at east from thirty to forty billion dollars. Furthermore, rum is the leading product and export of that island. Since this country went dry, Jamaica looks toward a considerable loss. In spite of that Jamaica is valued at the sum of five billion dollars. On the other hand, the products of the former German colonies are such that there will be a greater demand of them than ever before. The plain truth is, the moment the Allies distributed the German colonies amongst themselves, that very

moment they obtained from Germany wealth and property worth almost the amount they want in cash from Germany

in the name of reparations.

The size of the former German colonial empire is larger than one-third of the total area of the continental U.S.A. Its population is larger than the population of the New England States and Pennsylvania combined. In natural resources and commercial importance, those colonies are worth at least ten states of the American Union. The developed property of those colonies is worth several hundred million dollars, yet not a single word of protest has been uttered in the American Congress, nor a word of protest has been printed by any of the leading dailies of America. religious bodies, which send missionaries to non-Christian countries, do not protest against that monstrous grab. Some day America will awake, then her merchants and manufacturers will denounce the Allies, but that will not help to restore the cause of justice, nor will it lessen the suffering of the German children. The world must be awakened to its duty to compel the Allies to return those colonies to Germany, or else the Allies must be induced to pay Germany in cash the value of her lost colonies. At least in justice all the Allies must reduce considerably the sum of money which they hope to get from Germany as reparation. America has helped the Allies to win the war, but who will suppose that America will allow the Allies to help themselves to plunder Germany, or any other nation? In the interest of a genuine era of justice and good feeling, let the United States Congress investigate the causes as to why the Allies are not morally bound to pay Germany for the loss she has suffered in the name of mandates.

## Reparations

By putting the word mandates, instead of annexations, the Allies took all the former German colonies and at the same time they made the world believe that the Allies have taken nothing from Germany. Now, that the world believes that Germany has lost nothing, Germany must pay unheard sums of money in the form of reparations. The U.S. A. returned the Boxer indemnity to China to promote education and enlightenment in that country. That was an act of grand magnanimity. The American army and navy drove Spain out of Asia, then, instead of making Spain pay the cost of that war, America herself paid a large sum to Spain. By that act the U.S. A. showed the greatness and depth of her humanity. Lately Uncle Sam gave a check of twenty-five million dollars to the Republic of Colombia, though the U. S. A. was in no way obliged to pay a cent. When the Allies insist on a huge payment from Germany as reparation, and a heavy duty on all German made goods entering the Allied and other countries, then the Allies reveal themselves as most cunning, dishonest, greedy and determined to ruin Germany, and keep the Germans in economic slavery and political bondage until the end of commercialism and imperialism.

The non-Christian world has been oppressed for a long time by the imperialists of Europe, who call themselves Christians. The brown, the yellow and the black races have lost their faith in European Christianity and justice for the simple reason that imperialistic Europe is neither Christian, nor a believer in justice. The people of Asia are well aware of the fact that most of the missionaries who come from imperialistic Europe are first, imperialists, then patriotic, and then a few percent Christian. Even the German missionaries, and especially those of the Leipzig Mission, loved the English to such an extent that they, too, joined in British propaganda in Europe against Asia. Now those missionaries must be more than happy to welcome the tyranny of their brother Christians and to feel the blessings of Euro-

pean civilization and justice as practiced by the imperialists of Europe in their dealings with republican Germany. The imperialists of Europe are nothing else but a band of bandits. They escaped the punishment because they called themselves Christians, civilized and even democratic.

Six questions are involved in reparations, namely:

1) The Allies want to take large sums of money from Germany in the name of reparations and use that money to strengthen their world-wide empires. In this case "the Allies" means England and France.

2) England wants a weak Germany, weak in industry,

weak in commerce and weak in finance.

3) France wants an impotent Germany in national strength.

A weak Germany means that there shall be no German-Russian alliance.

5) A weak Germany, further, means an economic and political dictatorship all over Europe.

6) If the Allies force Germany to pay huge sums of money as reparations, then it will be a double victory for England, and a tremendous loss to the U. S. A.

What is meant by a double victory for England is this: If Germany is weak and poor, then she will buy the raw materials from the British Empire, thereby the U. S. A. will lose a great market for her raw materials. Then again, if Germany is poor and weak, then the U. S. A. will lose her great markets in Central Europe, in other words, to the extent that Germany is weaker it has less buying power and to that extent the American producer will sell less. To the extent that German industries are heavily taxed, to that extent it becomes easier for England to hold Europe in her commercial grip.

The reparation terms are ruinous to Germany. Germany can never pay what the Allies want of her. Not that Germany will not, but Germany cannot. That is an economic truth. In their demands the Allies have shown that justice, chivalry and mercy are buried. The unreasonable demands of the Allies will increase radicalism in all parts of the

world. The forces of unrest and unemployment will become stronger, both in and outside of the Allied world. The Allies will lose many of their former friends. The nations which were anti-German will soon be anti-Allies; the peaceloving, the freedom-loving and the justice-loving people of all nations will sympathize with Germany and despise the Allies. The new forces of internationalism in Europe, the mighty Nationalist parties of India, Ireland and Egypt, the ever-increasing anti-British movement in America, and at least ten other organizations, some of which are organized in all countries, gaining daily in strength; all these will be on the side of Germany and against the Allies. Therefore, let the Allies remember that half a loaf is better than no bread at all. When the Allies took the German colonies. they, the Allies, received from Germany more than half a loaf. The World War has shaken all the old established institutions in Europe and the European ruled world. Religions have lost their hold on people, the old political parties are shattered, autocracy is meeting its doom, orthodox nationalism is dying fast, anti-militarism is growing within the ranks of the militarists, the poverty of the poor is growing worse everywhere, the fight between Capital and Labor has begun in all countries, and on all continents in the most gloomy fashion. Everywhere expenses have increased, and the purchasing power has gone down. New powers have thrown a challenge at the old powers for the world trade supremacy. These, and many other factors the Allies must take into consideration if sanity has not left them. Allies, don't try to swallow that which will choke you to death! The Allies are imperialists, most of them have colonies and all of them love empires, power and money. It is in their interest to further the continuance of the present economic, political and social systems. A strong and healthy Germany means the continuance of the capitalistic world, and weak and poor Germany will help to bring sooner the downfall of all that is dear to the hearts of the Allies. The heavier the reparation the sooner will be the doom of imperialism. When the Allies doom Germany, they doom themselves. The fate of the present existing system depends on the Allies.

## The U. S. A. in Trap

The Allies urged the U.S. A. to enter the war for Freedom, Democracy and supposedly at the same time, for her own safety. When the U. S. A. entered the war, then the Allies wanted help, in men, money and munitions. America helped the Allies on a grand scale, but at the Peace Conference, and in making the treaty or treaties, the U. S. A. was kept at a distance in order that the voice of justice would not be heard. The catch phrases of American statesmen during the war are now used by the Allies to turn the whole world against America. The same nations are using the war-time idealism of America to the mockery and contempt of all. The imperialists of Europe show to the nations of Europe and Asia, that the U. S. A. is an aggressive nation. Say the imperialists of Europe to the Europeans that the U. S. A. interferes too much in purely domestic problems of Europe. To the people of Asia, the Europeans warn of American invasion of the Orient. They say: "Look here, the American Monroe doctrine keeps you out of America, the same America sends thousands of missionaries to your dear Asia. Now in what do you believe, the Monroe doctrine, or the missionaries?" The Europeans go further and tell the Orientals that if the U. S. A. is a Christian nation, then "how could she deny you the hand of brotherhood here on earth." "On the other hand, if she does not treat your countries as sister nations, then don't you think that it is time for you to open your eyes and not look up to America?" The imperialists of Europe point out to the people of Asia the size of American colonies on that continent as an example of American aggression.

To the people of America the same European imperialists show that Asia is a great danger to America. Say the cunning European imperialists to America: "Go ahead, increase your navy and army to meet the Asiatic danger, but don't build too big a navy and don't maintain a powerful army, so that we, the Europeans, may continue to fool you and the rest of the world." America does not want the

radicals of Europe to enter this country. Say the fox-like Europeans to those radicals: "You see, you can talk and write what you please in your countries, still you love your country less, and you think so much of America, but you will never be able to do in America what you are doing here. Therefore, use your friends who are there, and through them make that country as radical as you can. But while you are in your country, work for the good of your country." In this way the imperialists of Europe are exploiting every human weakness to the detriment of America.

Lately in one of the leading clubs of Chicago, openly an admirer of England, but secretly a British propagandist. told his hearers that in Northern India alone, England has an army of 400,000 men. And then the same propagandist asked his hearers to use their influence in the cause of English-speaking democracy and do all in their power to oppose freedom in India in the name of English-speaking democracy. In India the Indians are told abominable falsehoods as to the treatment of the colored people at the hands of Americans. The British have warned the people of India, more than once, of American injustice and hypocrisy towards the Orientals in general and the Hindoos in particular. At the same time England makes it almost impossible for the Indian merchants, particularly the Indian buyers and students to come to this country. In America, itself, in the university circles, the British propaganda is at work against the interests of the Indian students. Any Indian, who is not in favor of everything the English do in India, that Indian is at once called anti-American. In India, when an Indian comes out in favor of American institutions, and especially her educational system, then that Indian is marked, watched and then is made to suffer. The European imperialism is like a double-mouthed poisonous snake.

The Allies say to America that they have no money, therefore they cannot pay now, and perhaps can never pay. It is just like the Allies. It is like "I told you so." The

same Allies have powerful standing armies, Poland alone has an army of 600,000 men, England has over 400,000 more men under arms in Asia than in the year 1914. The English explanation for that is typically British. The English say: "The League of Nations and the Mandates have increased the British responsibilities."... Everyone of the European nations which have borrowed money from America, has gone army mad. Even the second rate and third rate European borrowers of American money have powerful armies. The Allies have money to maintain armies, but have no food for the children: "Who said that Europe is Christian and civilized?"

The Allies say to America they have no money to pay their American debts, still the same Allies have money to organize powerful trusts, form combinations and monopolies in order to keep off the U. S. A. from the world trade. Some of those Allies are preparing to fight the U. S. A. whenever America wants a fight. The Allies have crocodile tears in their eves whenever they talk of payment, but they are going in wolf and tiger-like fashion to meet America. The Allies say to America that they are willing to pay all of their debts, not in cash, but in goods. That is, America should buy goods in payment for money, but the same Allies want gold marks as reparation and put heavy duty on German exports. The Allies say that cheap, German-made goods will ruin the industries of the Allies' countries, and the same Allies want America to take cheap Allies' goods as payment of their debts to America. The Allies' logic is so subtle that only the anti-Americans agree with it thoroughly to the detriment of their country. In the meanwhile, the Allies are doing their best to disorganize the American industries through deadly propaganda, here in America, and in foreign countries the same Allies are killing the American trade in the most infamous way. The Allies are using every known mean trick to make the world anti-American. The Allies have laid a trap for the U.S.A. Before it is too late, let Congress act!

Imperialistic Europe looks upon the U.S. A. as a commercial and political rival of first magnitude; but that is not the case with Asia. The Orient looks upon the U.S. A. as the only true Western friend. Liberalism in the Orient means pro-Americanism, all conservative, reactionary forces and men in Asia are somewhat pro-European. The liberal leaders, the progressive business men, and nearly all the students in Asia are largely pro-American. The pro-Euro-pean Asiatics are few and their number decreases daily. On the other hand, the pro-American Asiatics are many and their number increases daily. The future leaders of Asia are at present in American universities and colleges. There are 5,000 of them. And soon their number will be doubled. The millions of followers of Mr. M. K. Gandhi and Dr. R. Tagore are pro-American. But, those pro-American Indians are presented to the American Press and public as anti-American. The Indian National Congress only lately advised its adherents to buy American goods; that was indeed an event of great importance to American business men; but not a single word was printed about it in the daily press of the U. S. A. On the contrary, a few days later Americans were informed that there is no market whatsoever in India for American goods. That is the way the socalled European friends of America mislead the American people. There are a number of facts of similar nature which could be brought to the attention of the U.S. Congress and the State Department at Washington, D. C.

The imperialistic nations of Europe spend millions of dollars on propaganda work in foreign countries to the detriment of the U. S. A. But America is not imperialistic, and the U.S.A. is the least cunning and the least aggressive of all the nations of the earth; therefore it was easy for the imperialists to get the U. S. A. in trap. The sooner she gets out of it, the better for her.

#### The U.S. A. and the World Peace

The founders of religions are universally respected. The admirers of philosophers of all ages and all countries are to be found everywhere; and even though the works of famous artists are not seen by all, their names have a place in all hearts wherever art is loved. Even the names of some of the great inventors are highly esteemed in nearly all countries and among the people of all walks of life; but so far not a single statesman of any country has achieved universal fame, also not a single military or naval hero of one country has received generous homage at the hands of men and women of the neighboring countries. Of all the isms the heroism seems to be the most short lived and of all the great and famous men the military and naval heroes are those who do not receive a universal recognition. General G. Washington has become the divine hero of India, Ireland and Simon Bolivar is another hero whose fame is only next to that of President Washington. Asia and Europe combined have perhaps three or four heroes of high standing; but if it comes straight down to the test, then one discovers that as a rule 99 percent of the "heroes" were nothing but cold blooded murderers and the worst kind of military dictators the world has ever seen.

Patriotism of an idealist is most wholesome; it is never, never destructive but all around constructive. Also the patriotism of a scientist is universally healthy; once in a while the patriotism of a statesman is sound, too, but the patriotism of a militarist is the most dangerous and despotic, it has killed many hundred millions of people and ruined several hundred empries. The patriotism of the militarists is opposed to liberty; their highest dream is military dictatorship. Their patriotism aims always at conquest and the fruit of conquest is devastation of land, homes and property, which means agony and death of countless people. Washington and Bolivar fought successfully for the cause of freedom, therefore the freedom-loving world pays them great homage. But the Mongolian, Tartar and European conquerors are

held in contempt by all because they were pityless brutes, typifying the militarism of their days. Asia and Africa are in the hands of foreign militarists. Those two continents can only be freed from militaristic rule after Europe itself is freed therefrom. The world over militarism is growing more and more unpopular and yet, today the standing armies of the leading nations are far more powerful than six years ago. Nearly all the governments are either in the hands of the military cliques or in the still more terrible hands of the ammunition trusts of their respective countries. At present the second rate nations of Europe have just as strong armies—if not stronger — than the armies, the leading European nations used to have just before the outbreak of the World War. In former years perhaps militarism was a necessity, but today the militarism in Asia and Europe is kept by choice by the imperialistic governments of imperialistic Europe. Already militarism has stopped the wheels of industries, reduced greatly the agricultural products; leaving behind its trail poverty, unenployment, misery, and all the human sufferings due to misery and privation. It is the militarism that has created several gigantic armies where the unemployment and misery breeds and ferments discontent, also armies of hungry, even starving children, destitute women and suffering men. With the exception of Japan, all the military and naval powers are Christians, all of whom believe in "home and foreign missions." Is that the reason why there are so many peace lovers outside the Church and so many war mongers inside?

The cunning statesmen and foxy diplomats of imperialistic Europe know perfectly well that the U. S. A. is in a position to disarm Europe and the rest of the world. The Allies owe large sums of money to the U. S., if the Allies are compelled to pay their American debts, then the Allies will be forced to disarm or at least to decrease considerably their military and naval expenditures. If imperialistic Europe disarms, then automatically the Monroe Doctrine becomes effective on all continents. The militaristic masters of Europe fully realize that, if Europe is disarmed, then imperial-

ism and political dictatorship will exist no longer. There is only one way to escape disarmament and that is to get the U. S. A. on the side of the imperialistic Allies—as long as it answers the purpose of the Allied powers. As long as America keeps aloof from this or that or another "Council" the U. S. A. is in a position to enforce disarmament, but, if America joins in one or more of the present councils, America becomes automatically identified with the living and leading spirit of imperialism—of the Allies. On one hand the Allies do not intend to pay their American debts; on the other hand, they do not want America to free the world from armament. That is the reason why the Allies do their best to drag the U. S. into the European affairs and at the same time they take good care to put against each other the two non-European powers, namely, the U. S. A. and Japan.

More than half the population of the world is disarmed. Those who have no arms were disarmed by their unchristian Christian masters. The non-Christians form the great majority of the inhabitants of this earth. They possess no arms. The Christians are a minority. And that Christian minority rules the world with arms in hand. By the way, India has a Christian government and she is ruled by three English Jews, though not more than two per cent of the total population of that country is Christian and Jewish. The nations of the world pass laws to decrease the crimes. nations have courts and jails to punish the criminals. There are even cities and nations, where the sale of arms is forbidden. In those cities and countries those who sell and buy arms are punished. But those who manufacture arms are the pillars of churches, and the same manufacturers are in control of the leading Christian governments. If the men who sell and buy arms are sent to jail, as it happens in many countries, then why are the manufacturers of arms free and such influential personages?

There is a health department in nearly every city and in most towns of the leading nations; the health department is not only to cure disease and insure health, but it exists to prevent the appearance of new diseases. If it pays to keep

a health department in the cities and towns, then it will pay five thousand times more to have a department of disarmament in every government. American generosity is feeding millions of European children whose parents were war victims. If those children are fed in order to be cannonfood during the future wars, then rather let those children die now. But if they are to reach manhood then encourage them to be healthy and happy citizens of their respective countries, until a natural death removes them from their dear ones. As long as the cities and towns maintain fire departments, to prevent the destruction of life and property, that long each and every government should have a department of disarmament to insure the safety of its citizens from the flames of wars.

Asia is the cradle of most races and the mother of all the religions. Europe gave to the world an ocean of knowledge and a great treasure in literature. Millions of foreigners have found a heaven on earth under the loving protection of Uncle Sam. Asia suffers and starves in order to feed the armament-kept governments of imperialistic Europe. Most Europeans are tired of their militaristic and imperialistic governments. Within the last 50 or 60 years the U. S. A. has prevented at least six wars in Central and South America. Only just lately the U.S. A. prevented a war between the Republics of Panama and Costa Rica. Those are great achievements of America. If America has been able to prevent so many wars in the past, why could she not prevent the future wars as well? The best way to prevent war or wars is to disarm Europe; and then to make it impossible to manufacture all means of destruction. Imperialistic militarism is the greatest cancer the world has ever known. The only radical cure for this deadly disease is disarmament. The European armament is largely responsible for the existence of ignorance, poverty, and pest in European ruled Asia and Africa. Armament and its twinsisters, the militarism and sea-power-ism, are eating the bodies of countless millions of men and women in Europe, and that same cancer is now sucking the very life-blood of

the children of the same Europeans who have fostered armament, militarism and sea-power-ism to the detriment of the non-European countries for centuries.

American prestige is great. She has accumulated tremendous moral force. The entire suffering humanity and all wisdom and peace-loving men and women of all nations and all races have their eyes on America. America has the power to free the entire Humanity from the crushing yoke of militarism. This is the noblest privilege of America, to take Humanity out of the bondage of militarism and lead it into the light of freedom. This is the greatest opportunity of America to remove the heavy rock of armanent under which fourteen hundred millions of people are being crushed to death. The voice of America can abolish war. America has within her power to give lasting peace, that is her Godgiven mission. Will she fullfil it?







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